

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s) : Bick, et al.

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For : METHOD FOR THE PRODUCTION OF METAL POWDERS OR METAL HYDRIDE POWDERS OF THE ELEMENTS TI, ZR, HF, V, N, TA AND CR

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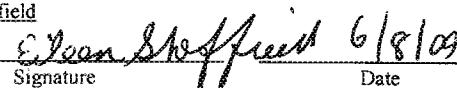
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AMENDMENT WITH RCE

Sir:

Responsive to the final office action mailed December 8, 2008, please grant the accompanying petition for a three month extension of time and amend the above-identified application as follows: